

**Land Use Regulation Program  
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## **STATEMENT OF NO INTEREST**

### Explanation:

In 1983, the Tidelands Resource Council adopted a policy and procedure for considering all requests for a formal, recordable Statement of No Interest. The Tidelands Resource Council is an independent agency which reviews applications for Statements of No Interest under the inherent authority of the General Riparian Act, as amended, found at N.J.S.A. 12:3-2 et seq. The Council shall approve and issue such a Statement when it is convinced by the submission of evidence by the applicant that the State has no tidelands ownership claim within a particular parcel of property. The processing fee for the issuance of a Statement of No Interest, if approved, is \$250.00.

Each application requires careful research in order to insure that the public interest is protected. All applications will be reviewed by the Tidelands staff as promptly as possible; will be forward to the Council for determination and, if approved, then to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection for concurrence. The ninety-day rule applicable to permit applications, under the cognizance of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, does not apply to these applications. If there are extenuating circumstances which require an expedited review of your application, please advise Jo Ann Cubberley, Manager, at the above address and we will attempt to accommodate you.

### Qualification:

Statements of No Interest are applicable to certain categories of properties, the most significant of which are:

- (a) Record owners whose property is not affected by a State tidelands claim, based on an adopted tidelands map, may obtain a Statement of No Interest which will foreclose the State from ever asserting a claim, such as by modifying the adopted map at a later date.
- (b) Owners whose property is affected by a State tidelands claim based on an adopted map, but that claim has been extinguished by a prior valid riparian grant. The applicant must demonstrate that the grant conveyed or intended to convey the area that is claimed on the tidelands map.
- (c) Owners whose property is affected by a State tidelands claim based on an adopted map, but can demonstrate that the State's claim is based upon invalid information or sources.

Procedure:

All applications for Statements of No Interest must be made in writing to the above address. There is no application form; a letter clearly stating the reasons why the property qualifies for a Statement of No Interest will suffice. The letter must also include the following documents:

1. A copy of the recorded deed by which the applicant claims a fee simple ownership interest in the property in question.
2. The current municipal lot and block reference.
3. A map or plan of the property in question, if available.
4. An affidavit of title. (Form available from this office.)
5. If the application is being made by an attorney or other agent on behalf of the property owner, an Agent's Authorization form is also required. (Form available from this office.)
6. If the application is being made under Qualification (b) above, then a certification of validity of the appropriate grant must be submitted. This certification is a statement by a title company or attorney that the grantee named in the grant was indeed the owner of record on the date of delivery of the grant.
7. Any other pertinent evidence or information that the applicant feels is necessary.

**If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact the staff at the above address and/or phone number.**